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JOURNALS

- January Establishing a new hybrid journal "Corporate Law & Governance Review".
- June In order to facilitate the transparency of the authors' contribution, Virtus Interpress approved a decision about the Contributor Role Taxonomy (CRediT). CRediT responds to calls for greater transparency and recognition of author contributions and is increasingly being used to investigate authorship.
- **June** The eighth journal "Corporate & Business Strategy Review" was launched.
- The editorial team of Virtus Interpress is constantly working on updating the thematic collections published in our journals. The collections cover various topics within finance, corporate governance, financial regulation, risk management, banking, business ethics etc. Since 2017, 44 collections with more than 1100 of empirical and theoretical papers have been prepared.
- According to the Virtus Scholar Statistics Platform (platform which provides the key statistical data of papers published with us), the total 2019 views and downloads of the papers became in 255397 and 44450 respectively.
 Geographically papers have been downloaded to read by scholars from all continents (175 countries).

JOURNAL INDEXES AND DATABASES

- March Publishing House "Virtus Interpress" has joined China National Knowledge Infrastructure (CNKI) platform. CNKI is the largest and mostly-used academic online library in China.
- July Journal "Corporate Governance and Sustainability Review" was included in the prestigious Nordic List of Quality Journals (ERIH PLUS). The approval of journals to ERIH was based on a peer review process conducted by expert panels in 14 humanities disciplines.
- **December** Two journals published by Virtus Interpress ("Corporate Ownership and Control" and "Corporate Governance and Sustainability Review") were added to 2019 Australian Business Deans Council (ABDC) Journal Quality List.



PUBLISHER ASSOCIATIONS AND ORGANIZATIONS

- January Virtus Interpress became a member of Association of Learned and Professional Society Publishers (ALPSP).
 ALPSP is the international trade body for not-for-profit organizations and institutions that publish scholarly and professional content.
- May Virtus Interpress became a member of Committee on Publication Ethics (COPE). Enlisting journals in COPE ensures that our journal editors have an alternative source to refer to when dealing with publishing ethics issues. Signing up to COPE shows that we intend to follow the highest standards of publication ethics and to apply COPE principles of publication ethics outlined in its Core Practices.

BOOKS

- February The book "Board of Directors and Company Performance: An International Outlook" was published (Editors: William Megginson, Pablo de Andres, Marina Brogi and Dmitriy Govorun).
- **February** The book "Public and Private Management: A Multidisciplinary Approach" was published (Editors: Ubaldo Comite and Nadia Oliva).
- March The conference proceedings titled "Corporate Governance: Search for the Advanced Practices" were released.
- **March** Virtus Interpress began to provide our network with a possibility to purchase e-books.
- May The book "Corporate Ownership and Control: International trends" was published (Editors: Alexander Kostyuk, Marco Tutino and Stefan Prigge).
- September The book "Challenges and Opportunities in Italian Corporate Governance" was published (Editors: Salvatore Esposito De Falco, Federico Alvino, Nicola Cucari and Luigi Lepore).
- October The conference proceedings titled "New Challenges in Corporate Governance: Theory and Practice" were released.



INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES

- February 28 The International conference "Corporate Governance: Search for the Advanced Practices" successfully was organized at Roma Tre University in Rome (Italy). Participants from different parts of the world (Canada, the UK, Italy, Spain, Germany, Greece, Japan, South Korea, Hungary, Finland, Portugal, Ireland, France etc.) gathered at the conference venue to discuss relevant issues of corporate governance, ownership and control, share their most recent research and come up with the solutions of the existing academic and practical problems.
- October 3-4 The International conference "New Challenges in Corporate Governance: Theory and Practice" successfully took place at Villa Doria d'Angri in Naples (Italy). The event was organized by Virtus Global Center for Corporate Governance, University of Rome La Sapienza and The University of Naples "Parthenope". There were 2 paper awards prepared by the conference sponsors: An award for young researchers (under 35) sponsored by Morrow Sodali (500 EUR prize) and Best paper of the conference award (no age limit) funded by Virtus Interpress (500 USD prize).

SCHOLARLY NETWORK

- Virtus Interpress continues to invite the authors who
 published with us and all other experts in corporate
 governance to join Global Repository of Corporate
 Governance Experts. In this way, we provide the opportunity
 for corporate governance experts worldwide to be a part of
 the international group of scholars with similar research
 interests. At the moment nearly 1000 experts from more than
 65 countries joined our repository.
- Since 2019 Virtus Interpress has started to distinguish the authors of the papers with the greatest views number (based on the indicators of Virtus Scholar Statistics Platform). All of the authors receive relevant certificates to appreciate their outstanding works.
- During 2019 more than 30 scholars (representing nearly 20 countries) joined the Editorial Boards of the journals published by Virtus Interpress. Over this year the group of External "Blind Reviewers" was also extended with more than 40 experts (representing 20 countries) who make a valuable contribution to the development of our journals.

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